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STRAIN AND PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF
RECOMBINANT PROTEINS USING THE SAME

STATEMENT RELATING TO BIOLOGICAL DEPOSIT

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Sir:

In a telephone call on February 21, 2007, Examiner Moore indicated that

Applicants' written assurance relating to the biological deposits referred to in the claims (e.g., Accession Nos. KCTC 10285BP, KCTC 10281BP, KCTC 10282BP, KCTC 10283BP, and KCTC 10485BP) would be required, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.805-1.807.


In response, Applicants hereby state that 1) all restrictions on the availability to the public of the deposited material will be irrevocably removed upon the grant of the patent, and 2) the viability of the deposited material will be maintained, both for the duration of the patent term, or for a period of twenty years, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.805-1.807. Applicants note that the removal of restrictions on availability of the deposited material is subject to the conditions recited in 37 C.F.R. § 1.808(b), i.e., that the deposited material shall be furnished only if a request for a sample, during the term of the patent: (1) is in

writing or other tangible form and dated; (2) contains the name and address of the requesting party and the accession number of the deposit; and (3) is communicated in writing by the depository to the depositor along with the date on which the sample was furnished and the name and address of the party to whom the sample was furnished.

To the extent that any further assurances are required, Applicants hereby state that the deposit of biological material is in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.801-1.809.

If there are any comments or questions, the undersigned may be contacted at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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